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**Education:**

Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts  
Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Biochemistry

**Experience:**

Chemist I, II

Nine years experience performing qualitative and quantitative analysis of drugs. Over 29,000 drug analyses completed. Over 8000 cocaine and 3100 heroin samples analyzed, marijuana samples tally in at 11,800. Over 6,000 prescription medications analyzed, of which over 1,100 were oxycodone samples.

Has over ten years experience operating, maintaining and troubleshooting gas chromatographs, infrared and mass spectrometers. Was appointed an Assistant Analyst for the Department of Public Health.

**Further Education:**

- Completed Restek's GC/MS Training Seminar
- Completed training at the DEA State and Local Forensic Chemist Seminar